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The translation of the German inscription on the back of Benjamin's tombstone is "The above named Benjamin was stabbed by a stranger in Lehighton, Pa. on the 25th day of May, 1833, and is a descendant of Jacob Balliet who was driven out of France by the Catholics". (Refer to pp 32-33.) This tombstone is located in the 4th row at the east end of the old cemetery of Zion Lutheran and Reformed Church, West Penn Township, Schuylkill County, Pa. The stone is now (1960) so badly eroded that only the name "Jacob" is at all legible. All this information was furnished in 1961 by Mrs. William O. Davis, Box 151, RD2, Lehighton, Pa.. This route is in the New Mahoning area. See pp 537 and 556 for information about Mrs. Davis. The mother of Mrs. W.O. Davis copied the original inscription during the mid-1920s when it was still rather legible and then had it translated.

(The exile from France and later return may have occurred after the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes in 1685 rather than during the Thirty Years War which ended in 1648 when Jacob was only six years old.)

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